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For: HALF-DUPLEX COMMUNICATION CONTROL METHOD

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
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CONCISE STATEMENT OF RELEVANCY
BETWEEN THE INVENTION AND MATERIALS

1 JP-A-60-41844

This publication discloses a semi-duplex transmission system which transmits and receives a transmission line acquisition request signal and a transmission line acquisition permitting signal through two signal lines.

2 JP-A-58-111543

This publication discloses that controlling transmission of transmission carriers by AND of a transmission request signal and a reception carrier detection signal to avoid a collision between the transmission carriers and reception carriers.

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		JP	60-041844	A	03/05/1985	Toshiba Eng Co., Ltd	Abstract
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